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May this year. What would it be if a hail storm hits it. Nothing, probably, is the hail season. Why not protect your growing crops?

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Durant, Okla.

HOT WEATHER IS HERE

And Summer Underwear is what you will want. We have a big stock of J. V. D., Balbriggans, Kool fit and Porous Knit in all sizes. All bought before the big advance and we intend to give our customers the advantage of our buying.

We also have a new and complete line of Panamas and straw hats for men. Also Ladies and Childrens wash hats.

Palm Beach suits for Men and Boys. Mens and Boys summer pants at bargain.

Mens and Ladies Oxfords and Tennis shoes for the whole family cheap.

SEE US BEFORE YOU BUY

BUY WAR-SAVINGS STAMPS AND THRIFT STAMPS.

H. M. PHILLIPS

"The Store That Sells Shoes For Less"

North Second Ave.

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Don't Take Any Chances

A battery may seem to be doing its job nearly as well as usual—may turn the engine over strongly enough to "get by"—may supply enough current for light—may produce a fairly hot spark—and may go on doing so right up to the point where the spark of life goes out.

If you don't know that

your battery's in good health, you're taking chances.

Drop in at the Service Station for ten minutes and let us test your battery.

And ask about the Still Better Willard—the only battery with the "Bone Dry" principle that is your absolute assurance of getting a battery as new as the day it left the factory.

Battery Service Co.

Official Willard Service Station

W. N. BENNETT,
Manager

125-27 South Main
McAlester, Okla.

A MESSAGE FROM FRANCE

Spirit of This War Pictured by French Schoolgirl in Letter Received by John H. Finley.

THIS letter is one of the many messages which have been received from the schools of France in response to the messages from American universities and schools, carried to them by John H. Finley, Commissioner of Education and President of the University of the State of New York. It is reproduced here and comes from a pupil in the Lycee Victor Duruy in Paris, which he visited last May, and there heard the pupils singing "The Star Spangled Banner" in French and crying in chorus, "Vive l' Amerique." It is doubted if there has been a more graphic or poetic expression of that which separates the men in the opposing trenches or of that which brings America and France together.

"It was only a little river, almost a brook; it was called the Yser. One could talk from one side to the other without raising one's voice, and the birds could fly over it with one sweep of their wings. And on the two banks there were millions of men, the one turned toward the other, eye to eye. But the distance which separated them was greater than the stars in the sky; it was the distance which separates right from injustice."

"The ocean is so vast that the sea gulls do not dare to cross it. During seven days and seven nights the great steamships of America, going at full speed, drive through the deep waters before the light-houses of France come into view; but from one side to the other hearts are touching."

U. D. C. GIVING \$150 TO LOCAL RED CROSS

Tag Day Netted the Daughters \$249 Last Saturday in Spite of the Rainy Weather.

What is said to be the largest single money gift evered the local Red Cross chapter comes from the United Daughters of the Confederacy in the shape of a \$150.00 check, which is a part of the proceeds of the annual "Tag Day" of the Daughters, held Saturday.

Tag Day was pulled off this year primarily to raise \$5.00 to aid their chapters in Oklahoma in furnishing one bed in an American Red Cross hospital in France for one year, but in spite of the inclement weather nearly five times as much cash was realized as was needed for this specific purpose, and the larger gift to the local institution was the consequence.

On Tag Day the ladies pin little tags on every man they can find and take his contribution. The contributions were not only more numerous, but unusually large this year.

Blockless, self-derailing. Has pressure save two men, make square ends on tablet built in three sizes. Williams Mill Mfg. Co., Texarkana, Arkansas.

GLEN CONDON TO SPEAK HERE

Glen Condon, former editor of the Tulsa World, who has recently made an extended trip through the warring nations of Europe, is to be here next Monday, May 29, under the auspices of the local chapter of the Red Cross to tell of his experiences and sights. Mr. Condon, while a young man, has become noted in the Southwest as a clever journalist, and he will no doubt have an interesting story to tell, and will know just how to tell it.

GERMANS BUILD NEW CRUISING SUBMARINE MONSTERS

Submarines to be Heavily Armed and Designed to Meet U-Boat Destroyers.—Ship Building Surpassing Losses.

Realizing that the Allies have at last gained the mastery over the present type of submarine, Germany now is said to be planning a new series of big U-boat cruisers with which she hopes to again assume the advantage in her unrestricted underwater warfare.

Shipbuilding operations are now turning out tonnage far in excess of sinkings by submarines.

AGREEMENT REACHED ON ALL PROVISIONS OF THE NEW DRAFT LAW

Final steps toward completion of legislation amending the selective service law were taken by Congress this week. A complete agreement was reached by Senate and House conferees on the bill extending the law to youths attaining their majority since last June. The dispute over exemption of theological and medical students from registration was compromised with the adoption of a provision exempting them if actually enrolled when the act is signed, but requiring registration of

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those who enter schools afterward. The provision placing new registrants at the bottom of the draft lists was retained.

CHARLES PAGE WINS TOMORROW ADKINS CASE

Federal Justice Ralph E. Campbell, sitting at Muskogee, this week decided that the famous Tomboy Adkins oil lease, reputed to be worth several millions of dollars, is the property of Charles Page of Tulsa. The decision came after seven years of litigation and follows closely the decision in the famous Broken Bow oil lease. As in the latter case the decision goes a long way toward deciding the stability of oil wells in the Indian country and in upholding the acts of the Dawes Commission, which handled the Indian enrollment.

ENTERTAINED LIBERTY LOAN WORKERS

The Durant Commercial Association Tuesday noon entertained about sixty workers in the Third Liberty Loan Campaign at a luncheon served at the Fish and Oyster Porter. The luncheon was attended by representatives from all parts of the county, and a short program was given following the eat. After the luncheon most of the workers attended the Red Cross meeting.

The Government orders that advertising must be left off of railway timetables. What's going to be left that anybody can understand? Cleveland Plain Dealer.

GIRLS! LEMON JUICE IS SKIN WHITENER

How to Make a Creamy Beauty Lotion for a Few Cents.

The juice of two fresh lemons strained into a bottle containing three ounces of orchard white makes a whole quarter pint of the most remarkable lemon skin beautifier in about the cost one must pay for a small jar of the ordinary tea cream. Care should be taken to strain the lemon juice through a fine cloth so no lemon pulp gets in, then this lotion will keep fresh six months. Every woman knows that lemon juice is used to bleach away remove such blemishes as freckles, sallowess and tan and is the best skin softener, whitener and beautifier.

Just try it! Get three ounces of orchard white at any drug store and two lemons from the grocery and make up a quarter pint of this sweetly fragrant lemon lotion and massage it daily into the face, neck, arms and hands. —G. G. Lady.

SHOES! SHOES!!

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1/3 off on Big Lot of Low Shoes and Slippers.

We have set out on our Special Bargain Counter a lot of Low Shoes and Slippers which are indeed exceptional bargains.

Slippers for Children as low as 75

Slippers for Ladies which were regular \$3.50 and \$4.00 sellers cut to as low as \$1.75 and \$2.00

Low Shoes for men which originally sold for \$3.50 and up to \$5.00 cut to from \$2.25 and up to \$2.50

We also have a lot of odds and ends in shoes for men women and children at extremely low prices and it will pay you to see these shoes if you want to economize in your shoe buying.

COME WHILE YOU CAN BE ASSURED OF GETTING A PROPER FIT.

W. L. Townsend & Co.

"THE STORE OF QUALITY"

Main Street.

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